REMARKS

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the remarks and analysis contained in the Office Action. Applicant is especially grateful for the indication of allowable subject matter. Claims 8 and 9 are amended above. New claims 13-18 are added. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application.

As the subject matter of claim 8 was indicated as allowable, the rewritten claim 8, which is now presented in independent form without amendment, is now allowable.

Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §102 based on Fleming, et al. The operation in Fleming, et al. is not the same as what is claimed. In Fleming, et al. there is never any alteration of an auxiliary power source power frequency. Instead, Fleming, et al. use the inverter 114 as a standby power source during the transient period of a switch between the preferred power source 101 and one of the alternate power sources 102 or 103. Fleming, et al. never seek to match the frequency of one of the alternate sources to that of the preferred source. Instead, Fleming, et al. control the inverter 114 so that its power quality is similar to that of the selected alternate source before the alternate source is coupled to the load. This is not the same as altering the frequency of power available from one of the alternate sources. There is simply no attempt to match the frequencies of power available from the different sources of the Fleming, et al. arrangement. Without that, there can be no anticipation.

Applicant further submits that the claimed invention cannot be considered obvious in view of *Fleming*, et al. because there is no motivation for modifying the *Fleming*, et al. arrangement to operate the same as Applicant's arrangement. *Fleming*, et

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al. takes a different approach to making a switch between different power sources than

what is claimed.

Applicant respectfully submits that this case is in condition for allowance. If the

Examiner believes that a telephone conference will facilitate moving this case forward to

being issued, Applicant's representative will be happy to discuss any issues regarding this

Applicant's representative can be contacted at the telephone number application.

indicated below.

Applicant believes that no additional fees are necessary, however, the Commissioner

is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1482 in the name of Carlson, Gaskey &

Olds for any additional fees or credit the account for any overpayment.

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